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SUBJECT: INTERNATIONAL COURT OF JUSTICE

REF: STATE 204893

1. CHARGE INFORMED MFA UNDERSECRETARY AMBASSADOR PAUL GUSTAFSSON (WHO IS ONE OF FOUR MEMBERS OF THE FINNISH NATIONAL GROUP) ABOUT THE CANDIDACY OF PROFESSOR BAXTER, REQUESTING SUPPORT AS DIRECTED IN REFTEL. IN RESPONSE GUSTAFSSON SAID HE HOPED USG WOULD SUPPORT JUDGE MANNER. HIS PITCH FOR MANNER APPEARED TO BE ESSENTIALLY PRO FORMA.

2. GUSTAFSSON THEN VOLUNTEERED THAT HE HAD DISCUSSED WITH THE ITALIAN AMBASSADOR IN HELSINKI THE ITALIAN SUGGESTION NOTED IN STATE 204893 PARA 12. HE SAID FINLAND FIRST HEARD ABOUT THIS IDEA OF ITALIAN SUPPORT FOR MANNER AT THE ILC VICE FINNISH SUPPORT FOR AGO ON THE ICJ FROM THE JAPANESE. THE ITALIAN AMBASSADOR IN HELSINKI WAS INFORMED (APPARENTLY WITH SOME HARSH WORDS) THAT THE GOF DID NOT OPERATE THIS WAY, WOULD NOT CONSIDER LET ALONE DISCUSS SUCH A PROPOSITION, AND THAT THE TOPIC, FOR THE FINNISH SIDE, IS A DEAD
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